

Approved By: Susannah Hancock	Classification of Paper: Not Protectively Marked
Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/ 0076/16
Date of Decision 12 August 2016	Area of County/Stakeholders affected Countywide
Title of report PCC CSF 2016-17 – Institute for Community Safety – strategic violence and vulnerability framework	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To seek approval for the allocation of £18,000 in the form of a crime and disorder reduction grant from the 2016-17 Community Safety Fund to the Institute of Community Safety, whose activities will contribute to the priorities set out in the Police and Crime Plan for Essex.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Approve funding of £18,000 to the Institute of Community Safety (ICS) to develop an Essex strategic framework for violence and vulnerability.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1. To develop a Countywide strategic framework to tackle violence and vulnerability. This work will involve consulting with local stakeholders, mapping existing activity, and assessing the level of understanding about the violence and vulnerability agenda across the County. The framework will support partners to develop a shared and consistent understanding of the problem, and will establish a plan for how to tackle issues related to gangs and violence.
- 3.2. This framework will reduce the duplication of structures, strategies and interventions across the County and could lead to greater efficiencies and an overall reduction in harm.
- 3.3. The project will deliver the following outcomes;
- Initial report outlining findings of strategic peer review, including interviews, current position area by area and agreed points of interest. This will include recommendations around the chosen partnership vehicle (proposed to be the Violence Suppression Board)
 - A countywide agreed strategic framework based upon the findings of the initial report setting out agreed and common principles to tackle violence and vulnerability, along with action plans, recommendations, proposed structures, interventions, pathways, KPIs and targets

- A workshop to introduce and launch the framework.

4. Background and proposal

- 4.1. This initiative is supported by the Head of the Home Office's Gangs, Violence and Exploitation Team who cited it as the first of its type in the County and is keen to explore the results, with the option to roll the approach out to other areas. ?
- 4.2. This work would support the Essex Police violence reduction strategy by identifying and highlighting appropriate areas for partnership activity and development.
- 4.3. ICS have been invited by the Home Office to support their Ending Gang Violence and Exploitation (EGVE) programme by delivering Local Assessment Process (LAP) for police forces and community safety partnerships.

5. Police and Crime Plan

- 5.1. Supports priorities in the Police and Crime Plan as follows;
 - Reducing domestic abuse and wider hidden harms
 - Reducing youth offending & all types of re-offending
 - Improving Crime Prevention
 - Tackling the consequences of drug and alcohol abuse and mental health issues
 - Supporting victims of crime
 - Ensuring local solutions meet local problems
 - Increasing efficiency in policing through collaborative working and innovation

6. Police Operational Implications

- 6.1. It is proposed that this work feeds into the Violence Suppression Board, chaired by Essex Police. The framework would support the work of this Board and would align with the violence suppression strategy.

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1. The PCC would fund a £18,000 contribution to the Institute of Community Safety

8. Legal Implications

- 8.1. The award of the grant is subject to the PCC's standard funding agreement

9. Staffing and other resource implications

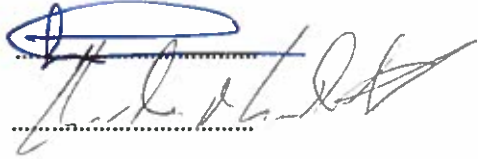
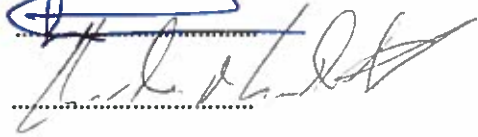
- 9.1. There are no staffing issues

10. Equality and Diversity implications

- 10.1. There are no D&E implications


Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the Chief Executive and CFO and the PCC Solicitor where legal implications arise.

Chief Executive/M.O 
Chief Financial Officer 
PCC Legal Advisor (As necessary)

Decision

I agree the recommendations to this report

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PCC/Deputy PCC

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because

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Publication

Reasons for non-publication *(state 'None' if applicable)*

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Report for publication

YES

NO

If the report is not for publication, the Chief Executive will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.